

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

NAKAMURA, Shunji

Group Art Unit: 2811

Serial No.: 10/003,304

Examiner: NADAV, Ori

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For:

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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT **DATED June 25, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Date: July

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated June 25, 2003

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 2, 4-14 and 29-31; and Group (II), Claim 28.

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 2, 4-14 and 29-31 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicant's rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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